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Subpart A—Films Selected for Inclusion in the National Film Registry

§ 704.10 Criteria for the selection of films for inclusion in the National Film Registry.

(a) All of the films nominated for inclusion in the National Film Registry should reflect the mission of the National Film Registry in the Library of Congress, found in section 202 of the National Film Preservation Act of 1992 (Pub. L. 102-307), of “maintaining and preserving films that are culturally, historically or aesthetically significant.”

(b) In accordance with the intent of Congress, all of the guidelines for the selection of films in the National Film Registry are intended to be read broadly, so that as many films as possible will be eligible for inclusion in the National Film Registry.

(c) For the purposes of film selection, the term “film” means a “motion picture” as defined in the U.S. copyright law, except, that the term “film” does not include any work not originally fixed on film stock, such as a work fixed on videotape or laser disks. “Motion pictures” are defined in the copyright law as: “audiovisual works consisting of a series of related images which, when shown in succession, impart an impression of motion, together with accompanying sounds, if any.” 17 U.S.C. 101.

(d) Films should not be considered for inclusion in the National Film Registry if no element or copy of the film exists. While the Librarian intends to promote the goals of film preservation and restoration provided for in the Act, no film will be denied inclusion in the National Film Registry because that film has already been preserved or restored.

(e) No film is eligible for inclusion in the National Film Registry until 10 years after such film’s first publication. “Publication” is defined in the copyright act as: “the distribution of copies or phonorecords of a work to the public by sale or other transfer of ownership, or by rental, lease, or lending. The offering to distribute copies or phonorecords to a group of persons for purposes of further distribution, public

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performance, or public display, constitutes publication. A public performance or display of a work does not of itself constitute publication.” 17 U.S.C. 101.

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§ 704.11 Procedures for the public to recommend films for inclusion in the National Film Registry.

(a) The public shall be informed of all open meetings of the National Film Preservation Board.

(b) A mailing address within the Library of Congress will be maintained to allow the public to make nominations of films to the Librarian and the National Film Preservation Board. All nominations should include the film title, and any other relevant information necessary to prevent confusion with similarly named titles.

(c) Materials will be available to congressional offices and members of the Board to make information available to the public regarding nominations of films. Materials will also be made available for distribution to libraries, movie theaters, and through the guilds and societies representing directors, producers, screenwriters, actors, cinematographers, film critics, film preservation organizations and representatives of academic institutions with film study programs, in order to encourage broad participation from the general public. Nominations received by the Librarian, will be forwarded to the Board to assist in the film selection process.

(d) All nominations for inclusion of films in the National Film Registry must be submitted in writing to the Librarian of Congress no later than March 30th of each year. All nominations should be mailed to: National Film Registry, Library of Congress, Washington, DC 20540.

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§ 704.20 Films selected for inclusion in the National Film Registry in the Library of Congress for 1989.

(a) The Librarian of Congress, Dr. James H. Billington, after consultation with the National Film Preservation Board registers these films in the National Film Registry within the Library of Congress for 1989:

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- (1) The Best Years Of Our Lives (1946)
- (2) Casablanca (1942)
- (3) Citizen Kane (1941)
- (4) The Crowd (1928)
- (5) Dr. Strangelove (or, How I Learned To Stop Worrying And Love the Bomb) (1964)
- (6) The General (1927)
- (7) Gone With The Wind (1939)
- (8) The Grapes Of Wrath (1940)
- (9) High Noon (1952)
- (10) Intolerance (1916)
- (11) The Learning Tree (1969)
- (12) The Maltese Falcon (1941)
- (13) Mr. Smith Goes to Washington (1939)
- (14) Modern Times (1936)
- (15) Nanook Of The North (1922)
- (16) On The Waterfront (1954)
- (17) The Searchers (1956)
- (18) Singin' In The Rain (1952)
- (19) Snow White And The Seven Dwarfs (1937)
- (20) Some Like it Hot (1959)
- (21) Star Wars (1977)
- (22) Sunrise (1927)
- (23) Sunset Boulevard (1950)
- (24) Vertigo (1958)
- (25) The Wizard Of Oz (1939)

(b) In keeping with section 3(c) of the Act, 2 U.S.C. 178b, the Librarian will endeavor to obtain an archival quality copy for each of these twenty-five films for the National Film Board Collection in the Library of Congress.

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§ 704.21 Films selected for inclusion in the National Film Registry in the Library of Congress for 1990.

(a) The Librarian of Congress, Dr. James H. Billington, after consultation with the National Film Preservation Board registers these films in the National Film Registry within the Library of Congress for 1990:

- (1) All About Eve (1950)
- (2) All Quiet On the Western Front (1930)
- (3) Bringing Up Baby (1938)
- (4) Dodsworth (1936)
- (5) Duck Soup (1933)
- (6) Fantasia (1940)
- (7) The Freshman (1925)
- (8) The Godfather (1972)
- (9) The Great Train Robbery (1903)
- (10) Harlan County, U.S.A. (1976)
- (11) How Green Was My Valley (1941)
- (12) It's A Wonderful Life (1946)
- (13) Killer Of Sheep (1977)
- (14) Love Me Tonight (1932)
- (15) Meshes Of the Afternoon (1943)
- (16) Ninotchka (1939)
- (17) Primary (1960)
- (18) Raging Bull (1980)
- (19) Rebel Without A Cause (1955)